

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gianessi, et al.

Confirmation No.: 7877

Serial No. : 10/501,135

Filed : July 13, 2004

Art Unit : 1626

Examiner : Young, S.

For : **PHENYL(ALKYL)CARBOXYLIC ACID DERIVATIVES
AND DIONIC PHENYLALKYLHETEROCYCLIC
DERIVATIVES AND THEIR USE AS MEDICINES WITH
SERUM GLUCOSE AND/OR SERUM LIPID LOWERING
ACTIVITY**

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action ("Office Action") mailed March 17, 2009.

This *AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION* is filed concurrently with a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time to extend the time from June 17, 2009 to and including July 17, 2009. Thus, this *AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION* is timely filed.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.